

December 4, 2025

President Donald J. Trump
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We write on behalf of organizations representing ethanol producers, oil refiners, fuel marketers, travel plazas, truck stops, and convenience store retailers to express the need for long-term policy certainty across the transportation fuel sector. Our diverse group of industries often have unique policy priorities and market concerns, but we have always shared a common goal to provide affordable, reliable liquid fuels for consumers. However, our collective ability to continue to do so is being threatened by the ongoing uncertainty regarding the sale of year-round E15 and the administration of Small Refinery Exemptions (SREs) under the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) program.

E15 continues to play an expanding role in the fuel marketplace, but unpredictable short-term waivers, seasonal and geographic restrictions, and regionally unique summer gasoline specifications in the Midwest have created a shifting regulatory environment that complicates planning and investment. Legislation allowing the year-round, nationwide sale of E15 would improve fungibility and substantially reduce many of the complexities that arise for our industries as we operate in a national marketplace.

In addition, we believe Congress must take legislative action to reform the Small Refinery Exemption program. The current SRE structure has encouraged a system of winners and losers that distorts the marketplace, creates instability, and ultimately, hurts consumers. A more consistent and narrowly applied SRE structure would create a far more predictable regulatory environment.

The absence of nationwide E15 and the administration of the SRE program present varying challenges for our industries. They both impact investment and compliance planning, blending decisions, and the stability of national fuel supply chains. Addressing these two issues through clear legislation would provide a more coherent and durable policy foundation, reduce volatility, and enhance confidence for all participants in the transportation fuel sector.

For these reasons, we respectfully urge you to support legislation that brings lasting certainty to these fuels issues and supports a stable, efficient marketplace.

Thank you for your attention to these matters. Our organizations remain committed to supporting constructive solutions as Congress evaluates next steps.

Sincerely,



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Growth Energy



National Association of Convenience
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NATSO, Representing America's Travel
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